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Thinking Out Loud

By H. M. L.

When members of the British parliament used to moan, "Too little and too late," we fancy most folks in the United States felt a good deal of sympathy for them. We have a president who has postponed, dilly-dallied, and procrastinated. It may be said, however, that he has never been too little. The billions spent prior to war, and since its beginning the good Lord knows, have been big enough.

But yesterday after years of being brow beaten by John L. Lewis, who a much smarter trader and far less scrupulous than our president, Mr. Roosevelt comes forth with the National Service Act proposal. We are inclined to think it is too late, but we hope not. If we had had it two years ago immediately after Pearl Harbor, the war might have been over, and this country would not have been plagued by its traitorous labor leaders. Labor, itself, is you and I and our neighors, generally patriotic and willing to do our part and not too choosy about what that part is. But these ambitious labor czars, whose unions come before their country, would have either laid low under a national service act, or they would have been in jail.

Why the president tied his National Service Act to four other proposals we cannot fathom. A national service act was proposed for the duration to "prevent strikes" and with some exceptions, "to make available for war production and for any other essential services every abled bodied adult in this nation."

These were his other points:

1 "A realistic tax law."

2 Continuation of the law permitting renegotiation of war contracts.

3 A "cost of food law."

4 Reenactment of the Economic Stabilization Act which will expire next June 30th.

But even if it is two years late let us have a National Service Act. We never had one before, but we never have had a total war to fight before. With production and fighting so closely linked as they are today, a National Service Act is vital to the prosecution and shortening of the war. We believe, perhaps too fondly that at least 99 per cent of the Americans are doing their part with might and main to win this war in as brief a time as possible. But that other one per cent, the Lewises, the Murrays, the Greens, the bundsters, the Japs, loyal to their emperor, Earl Browder and his pack of snapping yellow curs, is enough to put brakes on the national war effort. A National Service Act would take care of these lads handsomely. Nor do we mean to overlook the wise guys working on government contracts who mean to "get theirs while the getting is good." Put them all into the same service. Let them sweat and work with the rest of us. Abolish all privileged groups, and all pressure blocs under a National Service Act with teeth in it like those of a saber-toothed tiger.

We do hope we shall have a National Service Act. But we surmise that congress will do a lot of squirming before it even tackles the job. We also suspect that the president thinks, that congress wont do it, because, first, the pressure blocs are too strong, particularly the labor groups which have too many congressmen in their vest pockets, and, second, they will find the four loopholes the president left open when he tied his proposal to other legislation.

But with the temper the people of this country are in, after the railroad unions had threatened to strike and set a date for it, and after the steel workers had walked out and went back again after losing precious man-hours, congress may up and pass a National Service bill, and then, we ask you, where will the president be? He will have to sign it. And will labor like it, or rather, will the labor leaders like it? Will the farm bloc like it? No. There will be a few million people who wont like it and they will say so at the polls. But that is their American right.

And—this needs stressing—if congress does not pass a bill to permit the soldiers to vote, we feel sorry for congress and the administration when the boys come marching home. Our lads are going to come home fighting mad. A National Service Act would help, but it is very important to us and to them that congress manage to get their ballots to them in time. Our boys serving on the battle fronts at $50 and found, are not going to like the coal miners who struck, the railroad workers who threatened to strike, nor the steel workers who walked out, all because they demanded a wage boost usually equal to a soldiers regular wages, piled on top of wages already tremendously high. There is a day of reckoning coming for the New Deal, which has so often proved to be a raw deal.

SHOPPING WILL BE SIMPLER SAYS OPA WITH TOKENS

The new ration token plan, effective February 27, will not change the housewife's point buying power, although it will greatly simplify her shopping for her family, the Office of Price Administration pointed out today. After that date each food stamp will have a value of ten points and dime sized plastic tokens will be given in change when purchases are made.

Danger of loss of stamps or books or their destruction is reduced to a minimum. Also, the use of tokens will extend to 96 weeks the life of ration book 4, making possible considerable savings on printing costs.

The new system will prove a boon to the retail food trade also, since the number of stamps in use will be cut 60 per cent.

Under the new plan, the housewife will average about four less meat fat points than at present and two more processed foods points. Point values will be adjusted slightly at the time the new plan goes into effect to keep buying power under rationing on an even keel.

While at present 16 points become valid for meats and fats at the beginning of each week, making a total of 64 per month, under the token plan 30 points will become valid at the beginning of each two-week period, approximately 60 points each month. Stamps which become valid February 27 will not expire until May 20.

For processed foods, 50 points will become valid on the first of each month, as against 48 points at present.

Five blue stamps for processed foods (A8, B8, C8, D8 and E8) and three red stamps for meats-fats (A8, B8 and C8) all in ration book 4 will became valid February 27. When making a purchase a housewife will give the retailer stamps valued at 10 points each. If the stamps do not total the exact amount of points on purchases, she will receive red tokens in change for red meat stamps and blue tokens in change for blue processed food stamps.

Each token has a ration value of one point, and no expiration date. They may be used at any time for making purchases after February 27.

Load Of Magazines For Soldiers At Camp Beale

Saturday an army truck picked up a big load of magazines at The Nugget Office and took them to Camp Beale. It was really a fine load, the donors had bundled them nicely and tied them so that they could be handled and stacked with ease, and many were tied in a full years series. A young soldier said: "Gee, it looks like home,' as he carried out a bundle of "Good Housekeeping." More magazines are wanted and if you will leave them at The Nugget Office they will be delivered to Camp Beale. Elwood Stone of the forest service arranges for their transportation in army vehicles.

HANDICAPPED MAY SOON FIND INDUSTRIAL JOBS

By DR. VICTOR G. HEISER

It is estimated that there are in this country today about 8,000,000 men of working age, and possibly as many more women, who have some physical handicap or disability and who are not now employed in any productive work.

It is also estimated that, with the modern methods of "selective placement" now used by industry, possibly 85 per cent of these so-called handicapped persons now unemployed can be employed by industrial establishments at useful, productive work which they can do safely and efficiently after suitable training.

The need of industry for more help in war production is still urgent in many localities; the opportunity for service is great.

Producing the material demanded by war has been a colossal job for American industry, and a miraculous accomplishment. New plants had to be built, old plants entirely remodeled, machines scrapped, and literally millions of new and old workers trained to do new jobs.

Nothing has been too much or too hard, provided it got the job done. Conserving manpower is an example. Many companies are even assisting handicapped unemployed persons in having necessary reconstructive or reparative surgery done in order that they may take their place in the ranks of our 20,000,000 and more war production workers.

Wounded soldiers are being rehabilitated by industry on an ever-growing scale and taught new jobs in order that they may resume their self-respecting position in the community.

Industry is making it possible for the handicapped to help.

EXPERT SKI COUPLE SET OUT FOR GOLD LAKE

A phone message from Ranger Frank Delaney in Downieville to Tahoe National Forest headquarters here yesterday revealed that his assistant, William Nelson, and Mrs. Nelson, left Tuesday morning on skis, carrying weighty knapsacks, for a fortnight's stay at Gold Lake. Nelson carried 90 pounds of food and blankets and his wife 30.

The pair walked to Sierra City on Highway 49, but shortly after reaching Sierra City, Delaney said, they would be obliged to take to their skis, since from there on, the road is buried in snow. On arrival at Gold Lake located about 10 miles north of Highway 49, they will occupy a cabin, living on the food brought there on their backs. They expect to make the trip a lucrative one, since both are expert trappers.

The Nelsons have already trapped in the vicinity of Downieville this winter, 13 coyotes, 2 foxes, 6 martens, one mink, 2 weasels, 6 wildcats and one coon.

MRS. TWITCH, 96, WILL BE BORNE TO REST TODAY

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock in the chapel of Holmes Funeral Home for the late Madelehn Twitch, 96, who passed away Monday night in the Nevada County Hospital where she had been a patient for the past three years. Interment will take place in Elm Ridge Cemetery.

Mrs. Twitch was a native of Buffalo, New York. She had been a resident of Grass Valley for the past 26 years, making her home with her late son, James Twitch, on North Auburn street, until his death. The venerable woman had survived her immediate family, but leaves three granddaughters, Mrs. Winifred Rader of Sacramento, Mrs. Gail Ralston of Bakersfield, and Mrs. Nancy Thorn of Oakland. Also surviving are several great grandchildren.

New Years Baby For The Muller Chapmans

Dr. C. W. Chapman was happy to receive a message from Mr. and Mrs. Muller Chapman that a son had been born to them on New Year's Day at Santa Barbara. This is the second child for the Muller Chapmans. The father is engaged in engineering for the State Highway Commission.

Plans Ready For March Of Dimes

Charles H. Barker stated yesterday that all arrangements are made for the annual March of Dimes. The Grass Valley Committee in charge of solicitation will be headed by Elmer Stevens, assisted by W. M. Wilson, G. T. Tennis, Brooks Hartman, Mrs. Arletta Douglas, Mrs. Evelyn Collins and Harry Poole. E. J. Lister will be treasurer.

Dr. Walter Hawkins, as in former years, will head the drive in Nevada City, assisted by John Fortier.

Mrs. Robert Tamblyn To Visit Injured Husband

Mrs. Robert Tamblyn, whose husband, a cadet at an air field near Kingman, Arizona was injured a week ago in a bus-train collision, left Tuesday to be with him.

She learned over long distance telephone in a talk with him that he is suffering from two deep scalp wounds and a bad cold. The insurance agency which her husband turned over to her direction when he enlisted in the air force, will be cared for in her absence by Robert's brother, William L. Tamblyn.

Sentencing Burton Tuel Postponed A Day

Burton Tuel, who pleaded guilty to burglary Monday and was to have been sentenced yesterday, appeared in court, but Judge George L. Jones postponed a decision until he could communicate with Oregon authorities to ascertain whether or not Tuel had been convicted of a felony there.

Probation Officer A. W. McGagin declined to recommend probation. The court remarked that if Tuel, who is 22 years of age, had no former conviction of a felony against him, it was possible that he might be given into the custody of the California Youth Authority.

Funeral Service For Late John Watson

Funeral services were yesterday held in the chapel of Hooper and Weaver Mortuary for the late John Watson, Grass Valley barber and amateur baseball player, who passed away at his home, 118 Richardson Street Monday morning. Rev. Mark Pike conducted the service. Interment was in Odd Fellows Cemetery.

Watson was 67 years of age and a native of Canada. He had lived in Grass Valley for 48 years. In his younger days he was a miner. Surviving is his son, Malcolm Watson, engaged in war work in San Francisco. He also leaves a granddaughter, Barbara Watson.

No Extension of Auto License Renewal Period

Delay in delivery of windshield stickers denoting registration of automobiles for 1944 does not mean that motorists can delay beyond February 4 in making applications for renewal and paying license fee, without being subject to penalties of increased fees.

Stickers, unavailable until late this month due to manufacturing delays, will be mailed to applicants by the State Department of Motor Vehicles later. This had led to erroneous reports that renewal registration period has been extended beyond the deadline.

Motor vehicle owners are being given a temporary receipt, pending sticker delivery, when renewing registration at motor vehicle department or automobile association offices. Applications by mail are being advocated to save tires, gasoline and car travel.

WILL UNDERGO SURGERY

Dennis Coughlan, janitor of the Nevada City Court House, and his daughter, Gertrude are in Santa Barbara to be with Charles Coughlan a private in the U. S. Army and son and brother, respectively, while he undergoes a critical operation in the hospital there.

Mrs. Rose Jones, who has been ill of influenza, is now able to up and around her home, but will not be permitted to go outside during the cold weather.

U. C. Faculty Research Lecturers



DR. E. B. BABCOCK DR. W. H. CHANDLER

Both faculty research lecturers for the year have been chosen from the College of Agriculture at the University of California. The lecturers, who will speak during Charter Week, March 19-25 next spring, are: left, Dr. E. B. Babcock, professor of genetics, on the Berkeley campus; and right, Dr. W. H. Chandler, professor of horticulture, on the Los Angeles campus.

FUNERAL FOR MRS. MAHURIN TOMORROW

Funeral services for the late Mrs. Lura Robinson Mahurin, who passed away Sunday evening at her home in Sacramento, will be held tomorrow afternoon, January 13th, in the chapel of the Hooper and Weaver Mortuary. Monroe S. Ireland of Sacramento, Christian Science reader, will conduct the service. The body will be returned to Sacramento for cremation at East Lawn.

Mrs. Mahurin was born at Indian Springs on the Robinson Ranch and was 67 years of age. She was a sister of Guy V. Robinson of Indian Springs, of Mrs. Nevada Boreham of Sacramento and of the late William Robinson who passed recently in Berkeley. After graduating from the Indian Springs school, she attended Chico Normal School, Teachers College in Blackfoot, Idaho, and Wellesley College. Mass. Most of her life was passed in teaching but she found time for golf and played a strong game.

GRASS VALLEY CHAMBER ELECTS NEW DIRECTORS

Members of the Grass Valley Chamber of Commerce, meeting at luncheon yesterday, elected new directors.

They are Stuart Chalmers, Eli Day, Alfred Kramm, Brooks Hartman, Del Powell, Harold Robinson, Mrs. Lola Richmond, Roy Trathen, J. B. Stennett, L. R. Jefford, H. W. Westbrook and representatives to be chosen to sit on the board by the Business and Professional Women's Club and the Carpenters AFL Local Union.

Members of the board who retain their seats from last year are Bert Chegwidden, Wesley Donnewirth, Loyle E. Freeman, E. R. Ingalls, Dr. O. F. Lang, Victor Montre, Frank Munsee, Ray Pengelly, Harry Prisk, Dan Stewart and Vernon Stoll.

The new board meet two weeks hence and elect executive officers.

RETURN TO NEVADA CITY

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Saban, residents of this city for several years, have returned here to make their home. Before leaving here several months ago they sold their home on Prospect Hill. They are now staying with friends until they can get settled. Their oldest daughter, Miss Mary Saban, who was in the employ of the local headquarters of the Tahoe National Forest, enlisted in the Waves last summer and last news of her she was in camp on the Atlantic Coast. Mrs. Catherine Martin, the youngest daughter came up from Richmond during the past week to visit for a few days with her parents.

Mrs. Grace Brailey of Grove street who was very low Tuesday, is showing some improvement in her illness. She is the niece of Andrew and George Cary.

FOUR NARROWLY ESCAPE COLD AND MONOXIDE GAS

Four young people from Yuba City and Camp Beale narrowly escaped death by freezing and monoxide fumes Sunday night when they disregarded the "road closed' sign at Washington Junction, and traveled in their convertible Buick six miles beyond the sign.

The rescue of Sergeant and Mrs. John Martin of Camp Beale and Mrs. Lauralee Heath, 20, and Mrs. Dorothy Lennox, 21, both of Yuba City, was affected by Sheriff Carl J. Tobiassen, Jack Shebley with his wrecker, and Carl Kitts, state highway patrolman.

The quartet went above Washington to enjoy a frolic in the snow Sunday and when they failed to return, Mrs. Earl Fairlee of 264 Teagarden Avenue, Yuba City, mother of Mrs. Heath, telephoned at 10:30 a. m. Monday to Sheriff Tobiassen. He and Game Warden Earl Hiscock searched as far as Washington Junction and returned without finding the party. Carl Kitts, California highway patrolman and the sheriff again took up the search at 2 p. m. and after their car became stuck in the snow, went ahead by foot and found the stalled car.

Sergeant Martin, a veteran of the South Pacific explained the exertion in attempting to free the stalled car brought on a recurrence of tropical fever. He lost consciousness on the rear seat and when he came to at 4 o'clock Monday moorning with his face near a crack in the door, his strength had returned but he found the three women unconscious from fumes. He said his wife and Mrs. Heath were revived quickly but it required two and one half hours of artificial respiration before Mrs. Lennox was returned to consciousness.

A rescue party consisting of Carl Larsen, deputy sheriff, and others met the group with hot coffee and food at Washington Junction. They reported none of the persons was in a serious condition but all were suffering slightly from lack of food, lack of heat and from monoxide poisoning.

The sheriff reported the snow ranged from two to four feet deep in drifts.

Sam Bedwell, stage driver between Forest and Nevada City, stated he found a foot of new snow on the ground when he went to Alleghany Monday. About a foot fell during the last storm but rains settled it. Now there is two feet of snow in the Forest-Alleghany section. When the snow is too deep for his stage he carries the U. S. mail on a tractor. He is assisted in some of the most stormy weather by Jake Deal who helps get the mail over the last few miles into the towns of Alyeghany and Forest.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Stroh and three children returned to Nevada City Saturday from South Dakota where they had spent five months. They sold their home on upper Boulder street and are now renting a house until they can purchase a property. They had a cold trip of 2,100 miles and are glad to be back in this district. The children have entered school.

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THE VOTERS CAN'T FORGET

Despite President Roosevelt's suggestion that the name "New Deal" as a label for his political party be discarded the voters are not likely to forget what that label represents.

To millions of Americans the New Deal has come to mean unlimited spending accompanied by federal treasury deficits, high taxes and a huge, national debt; concentration of power in the federal government in Washington; bureaucratic control of many of the activities of private citizens and of business; playing politics with pressure groups that include many votes; setting class against class; confusion, duplication, uncertainty, delays, scattered authority in dealing with problems affecting labor, agriculture and industry by the numerous boards, bureaus and commissions created by the New Deal.

No, Mr. President, the people cannot forget the New Deal. But they can do something about acceding to your request that it be discarded—and they will at the general election on November 7, 1944.

TWO MEN

A new mayor this week is at the helm in San Francisco and a new president has mounted the rostrum of the bay city's board of supervisors. Both have demonstrated themselves good friends of Northern and Central California.

Roger D. Lapham, shipping executive, who became mayor, has visited every corner of California and knows its problems and its citizens. He can be counted on to be sympathetic to every aspiration which aims at the development of this rich region.

Dan Gallagher, who succeeded Jesse C. Colman as president of the board of supervisors, served two terms in the state assembly, where he learned, first hand, about the problems of other sections of the state, which could always count on him to lend a helping hand.

The elevation of these two men to high places in the administration of the bay city's affairs guarantees continuation and exjansion of San Francisco's modern policy of understanding cooperation with its neighbors in Northern and Central California.

GRADE LABELING COMES TO LITERATURE

So now it has come to this—that the bright young men (and the party hacks) in Washington, having invaded every other field, from the baby's formula to the number of coughs in each brand of cigarettes, are to decide, in their great wisdom, what constitutes "literature" and "art".

That, at any rate, is the dire picture conjured up by the action of Postmaster General Frank Walker in ruling that the writings in Esquire Magazine are not literature, and that its pictures aren't art—and that, therefore, it isn't entitled to the same postal rates enjoyed by other popular magazines. For Mr. Walker, who also happens to be the Democratic Party chief-of-staff, didn't ban Esquire on the ground that its copy offended public morals, but on the amazing ground that what it printed lacked literary merit.

There may be many who will agree with Mr. Walker that Esquire is lacking in literary distinction, but heretofore, of course, the American people have been free to decide what was literature and what wasn't. And what was tripe for some proved good entertainment for others. We have had no "command performances" in Washington—no board of literature to tell us what was good and what was bad, or what was indifferent. We decided that for ourselves. But now, if Postmaster Walker's dictum may be taken as a criterion, grade labeling has come to literature. And may the gods preserve us from what seems to be in store for us.

MIND YOUR OWN BUSINESS, SAYS SOVIET RUSSIA

No man in this country, including the president, has done more during the past few years toward promoting more friendly relations between this nation and Russia than the globe girdling author of "One World" Wendell Willkie—and it was something of a political bombshell, therefore, when the official Communist Party organ, Pravda, took occasion last week to tell Mr. Willkie to mind his own business.

The reason for Pravda's outburst seems to have been an article by Mr. Willkie in the New York Times, discussing the status of Poland and the Baltic States. "Our principal objective," said Mr. Willkie, "must now be to persuade Russia to accept and give the guarantees of a general organization in which she and we are both members, rather than to seek her own protection by political and military control over adjoining territories."

The Soviet organ barked back that the Baltic question was the business of the Soviet Union—and not Mr. Willkie's. There was also a broad intimation, in the Soviet declaration, that it was no business of the United States. "As to Finland and Poland," said Pravda, "the Soviet Union knows how to deal with them, and does not need hedp."

This minor tempest, which may be a forerunner of more serious things to follow, raises the major question of just how far we are to go in guaranteeing the rights of small countries. Some Americans will agree that Russia is right: that it isn't any of our business what happens in the Baltic States, or Poland, or Finland. Others will argue that if we don't want to go through the whole ghastly business again in ten or twenty years, we have to make it our business.

We must shortly come to grips with questions of international policy that may shape the destiny of our country for generations—and yet we have had no clear-cut declaration from the White House on foreign policy. We know Mr. Willkie's views, for he is sometimes more forthright than politic. But except for idealistic generalities, we don't know Roosevelt's. What we are fighting this war for, besides saving our skins? If we don't want to risk being told to mind our own business at frequent intervals, it's about time we knew. The American people may want to have something to say in the matter.

HISTORICAL SIDELIGHTS

Editor's Note: Cities and towns of Northern and Central California have had a colorful and romantic past, the salient facts of which are known to most Californians. However, much interesting information about the early days of these communities is sometimes overlooked. With no pretense to historical completeness, the San Francisco Regional Service Committee has assembled some of this data in a series of articles of which this is the eighth.

MARYSVILLE

The site of Marysville was leased from Captain John Sutter in 1842 by Theodore Cordua, for use as a trading post which became a way-station on the Oregon-California trail. In 1848, Cordua sold his holdings to newcomers who laid out a townsite. Stephen J. Field, brother of the inventor of the Atlantic cable and later a justice of the United States supreme court, bought 200 lots at the site and three days later was elected mayor.

On election night the citizens gave the new town the name of Marysville, in honor of Mary Murphy Covillaud, a survivor of the Donner Party, whose husband was one of the owners of the townsite.

Prosperity came with intensification of the gold rush. for Marysville was at the head of Feather River traffic to the mines, and also on the north and south trails through the Sacramento Valley. By 1851 it was the third largest city in the state. Twenty freighting companies, with 400 wagons and 4000 mules, operated out of the town.

In early days Marysville overlooked the Yuba River. Hydraulic mining raised the bed of the river more than 70 feet, and in 1875 it became necessary to construct the earthen dikes to protect the city, whose streets are now below the level of the river. With the decline in mining, Marysville was transformed from a freight center into an agricultural market town. The Thompson seedless grape and the Philip cling peach were both first grown in the country around Marysville.

Both the city hall and the Yuba county court house, still in use, were built in 1855, and there are three churches which date from before 1860. Unlike those in other parts of California, Marysville's surviving buildings from the early days are all built of brick from local clay or of stone and wood.

S. F. PROTESTS BAN ON U. S. STRIKE REPORTS

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 13. — A protest against the U. S. Department of Labor's decision to discontinue publication of strike statistics was dispatched today by the municipal Regional Service Committee to San Francisco's representatives in congress.

The decision "is unfortunate for San Francisco," Harold J. Boyd, city controller and Regional Service Committee chairman, wrote Reps. Thomas Rolph and Richard J. Welch and Senators Hiram W. Johnson and Sheridan Downey.

"During the years that San Francisco was a proving ground for new techniques in labor relations, with consequent strikes and work stoppages, the city received much publicity, not the least of which was the annual report of the U. S. Department of Labor on strikes in the United States," Boyd said.

"Today, the strike picture here has almost entirely changed but there is small chance of the nation knowing about it and correcting its former impressions of San Fransisco's labor relations if the U. S. Department of Labor discontinues publication of its strike figures."

As an example of what such strike figures would show at the present time, Boyd quoted the recent statement of the San Francisco's Employers Council that only four strikes, two of extremely short duration, occurred here in the first nine months of 1943.

Boyd asked the city's congressional representatives to "use your influences to the end that the U. S. Department of Labor will continue to compile and publish strike statistics which will at least reflect San Francisco's notable advances in labor relations and consequent diminution of strikes."

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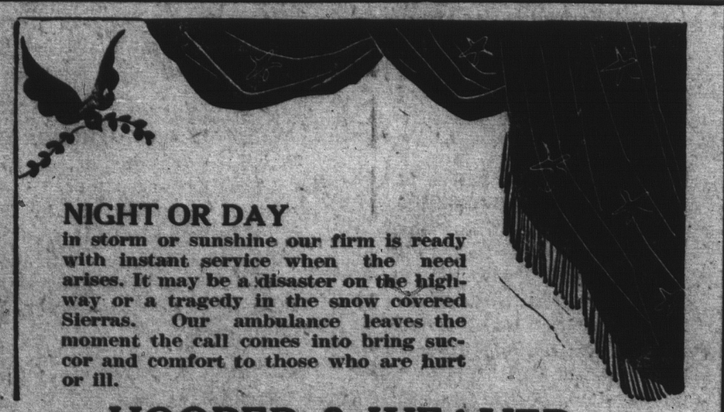
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Farm WAR NEWS

FOOD FOR FREEDOM

JANUARY DAIRY PAYMENTS HIGHER

Higher dairy feed adjustment payments for the month of January will be made to dairy producers, according to an announcement from the War Food Administration. In contrast with the rates ranging from 35 to 50 cents per cwt. of fluid milk and 4 to 6 cents per pound of butterfat for the payments made for October, November and December production the new rates will be a flat 50 cents per cwt. and 6 cents per pound in all counties in California.

Dairy producers are now filing production records and applications for payments for November and December production at the county AAA office at 122 Oakwood Drive, Auburn, it was announced by L. E. Sleeman, chairman, who pointed out that only two dairy states have received larger total payments to date in the program than California.

"While the long period of dry weather has been somewhat relieved by general rains, the feed situation, particularly concentrates, is still critical," the chairman said. The dairy feed adjustment payment has shown some relief in the pressure on dairy producers caught between rising production costs and a price ceiling on their products."

U. S. FARMERS EXCEED GOALS

As the nation's farmers square off to make an all out effort to set a new food production record in 1944, a year end roundup of agricultural production shows that farmers met their 1943 crop goals, with many busheds and tons to spare. Total crop production exceeded the collective goals set last spring despite a late spring and shortages of labor and machinery. The 1943 crop output was only 6 per cent below the record breaking performance of 1942 when exceedingly favorable weather conditions prevailed. Total food production including livestock products reached an all time high during 1843.

The bumper crop production of 1943—second largest in our history—was particularly significant for the increased output of certain crops urgently needed for the new effort. Compared with 1942 production of soybeans was up 5 per cent; flaxseed up 27 per cent; peanuts up 16 per cent; dry beans, up 15 per cent and Irish potatoes, up 25 per cent.

The final box score on 1943 production for some important crops follows:

Wheat (bushels) (thousands) — 836,298; rice (bushels) 70,025; Corn (bushels) 3,076,159; Flaxseed (bushels) 52,008; Soybeans for beans 195,762; Peanuts (pounds) 2,561,610; Dry beans (bags) 21,799; Dry beans (bags) 10,870; Cotton (bales) 11,478; Tobacco (Lbs.) 1,403,275; Irish potatoes (bushels) 464,656; sweet potatoes (bushels) 75,582.

LUMBER SUPPLIES TIGHT

Notice of the lumber quota for Nevada County for the first quarter of 1944 reached the County AAA office January 10, L. E. Sleeman, the chairman of the County AAA committee, said.

"The county committee is authorized to issue certificates bearing a preference rating of AA-2 to enable farmers to purchase lumber for essential maintenance and repair work on farm buildings and installations." The chairman pointed out that the extremely short supplies of lumber have made it necessary to exclude the use of AA-2 lumber for farm dwellings and that where new buildings or alterations become necessary application must be submitted through to the War Production Board for authority to begin construction.

The allocation of copper wire to Nevada County is relatively larger than the lumber quota by reason of the more favorable supply situation throughout the country. Certificates to enable the purchase of not more than 50 pounds of copper for the three months period can be issued by the county AAA commiteee for any on-farm wiring that is essential such as milking machines, feed cutters, and may be used in dwellings. Application for certificates will be made to the county committee.

Persons planning to purchase trucks placed on sale by salvage officers as no louger suitable for miltiary use were advised to consult their ODT Motor Transport district office before bidding on such equipment. Several cases have occured where persons have purchased truck and then found their proposed services were of a nature that would not qualify them for allotments of motor fuel and mileage. The ODT warning on purchases of army trucks applies also to would-be purchasers of used trucks of any kind.

BITS AND PIECES

The War Food Administration is encouraging construction of frozen food lockers where it is shown that 60 per cent or more of the prospective patrons are producers of food. The Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports that the 1944 winter wheat acreage is 25% larger than either 1942 or 1943. Possible savings offered if they amounted to as much as 10% would offset the lower feed supply according to USDA authorities. WPB announces postponement of quota restrictions on wooden boxes for packing and shipping California fruits and vegetables until April 1 but warns that supply is still critical.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

Christian Science Society of Nevada City holds services every Sunday in their church, 114 Boulder Street at 11 o'clock.

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.

A Wednesday evening testimonial meeting is held on the first Wednesday of each month at 8 o'clock.

Our reading room at 117 Broad Street is open every day except Sundays and holidays from 2 to 4 p. m.

The public is cordially invited to attend our services and visit the reading room.

In all Christian Science churches, branches of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist in Boston, a Lesson-Sermon will be read Sunday, January 16, on the subject "Life." The Golden Text will be: "This is the record that God hath given to us ternal life, and this life is in his Son." (I John 5:11.)

Bible selections will include the following passages from Psalms 36, 7, 9: "How excellent is thy lovingkindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadows of thy wings. For with thee is the foundation of life: in thy light shall we see light."

A passage from the Chrtisian Science textbook "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy, will also be included, which reads as follows: "Because Life is God, Life must be eternal, self-existent. Life is the everlasting I am, the Being who was and is and shall be, whom nothing can erase." (p. 289).

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Week events: The Friendship Circle will meet Wednesday at 2 p. m. All members and friends are cordially invited. Bible study and prayer hour Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. We are studying the 19th Chapter of St. John's Gospel. Read, study and if you have any questions on the chapter bring with you. It is a study where we try to get added light on the Bible.

RATION FACTS

By MRS. H. E. KJORLIE
Local Board

RATION CALENDAR FOR JANUARY

Sugar—Book 4—Sugar stamp No. 29 valid until January 15. Sugar stamp No. 30 valid January 16th through March 31st.

Shoes—Book 1—Stamp 18. Book 3—Airplane No. 1.

Processed Foods—Book 4—Green D E F valid until January 20th; Green G H J valid until February 20th.

Meats, Fats, Etc. — Book 3—Brown R S T valid until January 29th. Brown U valid January 16th. January 29th. Brown V Valid Jannary 23—February 26th. Brown W valid January 30th-February 26.

Gasoline—A No. 9 good through January 21st. No. 10 good from January 22nd to March 22nd.

B or C may be renewed within, but not before, 15 days from the date shown on the cover of the book.

B-2 and C-2 coupons are worth five gallons.

Tire Inspection—A by March 31, 1944. B every 4 months by February 29. C every 3 months by February 29th. T every 6 months of 5000 miles of driving.

Pork Bonus—Book 4 Spart stamp No. 2 value 5 points of fresh pork. Valid until January 15th.

Tokens—Ration tokens are expected to be in the hands of the trade by the middle of February to be used as change in connection with the food rationing program.

ROOSEVELT TO BE WEIGHED ON DOMESTIC ISSUES

By CLEM WHITAKER

President Roosevelt's re-election or defeat, assuming that he seeks a fourth term, may hinge more on his handling of major domestic issues—particularly the gathering labor crisis—than on the conduct of the war, or on our military position at election time.

This, admittedly, runs counter to the current views of both Democratic and Republican strategists, but there are explosive factors in the national situation which are likely to upset the best laid plans of party high commands.

It is no longer correct, for example to refer to the epidemic of strikes and work stoppages now sweeping the country as labor-management disputes. In most instances, they are actually labor-government disputes, with labor leaders locked in bitter conflict with their one time friends and allies in the Roosevelt administration.

Thus far, while there has been off-the-record criticism of the president, most of the labor chieftains, in their public statements, have aimed their barbs at subordinate New Deal officials, rather than Roosevelt. The president, in turn, when government agencies have locked horns with the unions, has usually escaped a showdown by taking over and granting substantially all that labor demanded.

There is growing public discontent, however—sharply magnified by the resentment of men and women in the armed forces—over this policy of labor appeasement, and an increasing tendency on the part of the voters to blame government, even more than they blame labor, for such occurrences as the coal strike and the threatened nation wide rail tie-up. And there is every likelihood that the president must soon take his stand — and take it firmly and publicly.

If he demands that the unions retreat from their present militant position, that they forego inflationary wage increases and that they abide by their "no strike" pledge, Roosevelt may win a new measure of public confidence, but he will undoubtedly come to the parting of the ways with many of the labor leaders who have been his staunchest allies in past campaigns.

On the other hand, if he yields to labor's demands for sweeping pay hikes, and gives the rail unions, for example, all that they asked at the time of their strike threat, the president must kick overboard all pretense of maintaining his hold-the-line program — and will doubtless precipitate a new avalanche of wage demands all over the country, with the result that he will suffer a serious loss of public confidence.

Faced with similar problems in the past, Roosevelt has either found a way out by compromise, or has openly taken his stand with labor, confident that labor support would pull him through. But this time there is every indication that the situation has drifted too long to permit of compromise—and there is the added factor that the general public may be so unsympathetic with labor's demands, and so irritated by work stoppages that the president would lose more than he would gain by a policy of labor appeasement.

IMPENDING PUSH IN PACIFIC TO CUT GAS SUPPLY

From the Office of Price Information in Sacramento comes this letter:

As you know, it is becoming more and more evident that a full scale offensive will soon be under way in the Pacific area.

Such war news is good news. But many people do not yet realize that we are entering a petroleum shortage on the west coast which will rival or exceed the shortage which existed on the east coast last year.

Accordingly, we would greatly appreciate the assistance your paper can give in driving home the following points:

CAUSES

1 Gasoline production on the west coast is 30% greater than it was in December 1941 — but the armed forces and lend-lease are taking about 75% of the gasoline being made in this area.

2 On January 8 the California Oil and Gas Association announced that civilians may expect only 32 out of 130 barrels of gasoline produced in 1944. (West coast only, we presume.)

3 New refineries are being constructed in amazing numbers—but Army and Navy demands are increasing also for all types and octane ratings of gasoline.

4 The tanks of one Flying Fortress hold as much gasoline as is allotted 23A book holders in a year.

5 Our armies have based their operations largely on one fuel product—gasoline— to simplify problems of supply. To requirements of planes, tanks, and ships, must be added hundreds of other uses. Gasoline is used in field hospitals to heat sterilizers for surgical instruments, to provide light in tent operating rooms, to power refrigerators in which blood plasma is kept, to operate water purifiers, to heat soldiers' quarters. The list of uses for gasoline is growing larger each day.

EFFECTS

1 Distribution of gasoline must necessarily be limited more and more, and soon it is probable that only those whose work is absolutely essential to the war effort will be able to secure gasoline. Requirements of the armed forces will be met first, non-highway farm needs second; needs of various types of war workers thereafter; John Q. Citizen is the last on a long list.

2 Supplies at service stations are being limited. Motorists are advised not to travel far from home.

3 If tankers are sunk, there may be extremely acute shortages. (The sinking of 14 large tankers bound for North Africa was the cause of the fuel and gasoline crisis in the east last winter. Tankers have capacities greater than 3,000,000 gallons.

4 The A-book holder can help the war effort now by limiting his driving to that which is absolutely essential. Voluntary reductions by book holders may forestall the necessity of drastic cuts in the value of A coupons. (Persons who can walk to work should do so. Children should be refused unnecessary use of family cars. Pleasure driving should be eliminated entirely.

5 Persons who waste gasoline are directly sabotaging the war effort.

Here's news regarding children's clothing. The WPB will see that producers of infant's and children's apparel get cotton fabrics and worsted and cotton yarn for making hosiery and knit goods, sleeping garments, underwear, dresses, overalls, boys' suits, shirts and pants. Emphasis will be placed on turning out low cost goods of durable quality. These supplies are not expected to reach retail stores until February and March.

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The following letter was written by Cpl. Ray Wilde, an January 2, 1943, in a faraway New Caledonia telling his parents of his promotion and life at camp:

"Dear Mother and Dad: It is now five thirty and I have been up for one half hour so you can see that I have become an early riser. It is so much better if you get up early in the morning. You don't have to stand in line to get a place to shave and wash.

"You have probably noticed that there is a change in my address. From now on it is Corroral Wilde. Yes. I received the promotion yesterday. It certainly did make me happy. A very good way to start the New Year. Let's hope it will continue.

"I am working in the mail and records section of the engineers corps. The officers and enlisted men that I work with are very considerate and have already proven that it will be a nice atmosphere to work in. This job is a great deal more in my line than the previous one because I have considerable to do with the mail situation. It is really quite different from the postal work that I have done in civilian life and as I have already stated it is very interesting.

"We have just been notified today that it is now permissable to say that we are stationed somewhere in New Caledonia. That is all that we have been told that we could say as yet, so for now it will have to be sufficient. It may be in the near future I will be able to tell you something about the people, their customs and things of that nature.

"Well, time for breakfast, so bye for now.

BUD."

Cpl. Ray Wilde served in the local post office before entering the service. He is a graduate of the local schools and popular with his wide circle of classmates who will be pleased to learn of his advance in rank.

His address is Cpl. Ray B. Wilde, 39400682, Hq. Co. 1192nd Engr. APO 502, Care Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.

Hal D. Draper—

Aviation Cadet Hal D. Draper, son of Dr. and Mrs. Hal D. Draper, is now a student in the Advanced Bombardier School at Kirtland Field. New Mexico. Upon successful completion of the eighteen weeks course he will be commissioned a second lieutenant and awarded the silver wings of an aerial bombardier.

Cpl. George Marinkovick—

Mrs. Peter Barish of Commercial street has had a letter from her son, Cpl. George Marinkovick, from the same section of the South Pacific as Dahl Larsen. He left here last fall. George was attending high school when he entered service. He would enjoy hearing from his friends and his address is Cpl. George Marinkovick, Co. C 132 Infantry, APO 716, care Postmaster, San Francisco, California.

Lieut. Ernest Chapman—

Tuesday night, Dr. C. W. Chapman was happy to receive a telephone message from his grandson, Loeut. Ernest Chapman, from Alameda. Following his miraculous escape in Sicily from a disabled plane, his reunion with his own squadron after a six days of traveling behind and through enemy lines, Lieut. Chapman was sent home on furlough to his parents Lieut. Col. and Mrs. Allen Chapman, and from there was assigned to Florida. He has now been ordered to the Alameda base for assignment to duties concerning which he has not yet been informed.

Staff Sgt. Robert E. Walters—

Mrs. Vera G. Hibbs of North San Juan went to Mather Field Saturday where she joined other mothers in receiving honors for their sons. Mrs. Hibbs was presented a posthumus award won by her son, Staff Sergt. Robert E. Walters, who died in North Africa last April. His decoration came as a result of ten air raids against the enemy and for destroying an enemy plane.

Cpl. Wesley Fuge—

Cpl. Wesley Fuge of the U. S. Army is now in Camp Pickett, New Jersey. A telegram was sent him Tuesday telling him of the critical illness of his mother but he was not able to get away.

Will Kilroy—

Mr. and Mrs. Elza Kilroy received the good news yesterday that their son will be home on furlough soon. He expects to leave camp on the 18th. He is a military policeman in Orlando, Florida, and writes home the most cheerful letters of his camp and work.

Camp Beale Soldiers Appreciate Magazines Left at Nugget Office

Bring on your magazines!

They can be left at The Nugget Office for the soldiers at Camp Beale. Last week a large pile of magazines had accumulated and when several young officers came to pick up the reading material they said: "Thanks a million, they go over big." The magazines are picked up every few days and in this way they get them before they become too old to be interesting.

Bring on the magazines!

Federal Land In Nevada County, 189,645 Acres

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 13. — Land owned by the federal government in the nineteen Sacramento Valley counties now exceeds 11,280,000 acres; and the assessed valuation of federally owned property in this district is estimated at $58,164,000, it was reported today by George G. Pollock of Sacramento, Regional Vice President of the Sacramento Valley District of the California State Chamber of Commerce.

Most of this property, Pollock pointed out, is not subpect to local taxation by the counties concerned due to the fact that it is federally owned. Therefore, he stated, the State Chamber is vigorously supporting legislation now pending before congress which is designed to eliminate the inequalities arising out of the extensive federal ownership of tax-exempt property.

A survey recently made by the State Chamber's tax department, Pollock said, shows the extent of federal property ownership in all the counties of California, and reveals that Siskiyou county heads the list for the Sacramento Valley district from the standpoint of federally owned acreage. In that county the federal government owns 2,349,182 acres, or more than 58 per cent of the total land area of the county. The assessed valuation of the property affected is computed at $16,205,160.

Although Trinity County ranks fourth in the number of acres federally owned, with a total of 1,542,571 acres, it ranks first in ratio of federal land to total area, more than 75 per cent of Trinity County being in federal ownership. The assessed valuation of federally owned property in that county is $6,650,000.

In the case of Lassen County the acreage owned by the federal government is more than 57 per cent of the county's land area, and the assessed valuation of these properties is placed at $4,881,250. In Modoc County the federal government owns 1,609,813 acres, or 61 per cent of its area with an assessed value of $6,872,930. More than a million acres in Plumas County, comprising 68 per cent of its area and more than $5,000,000 of its assessed value is also federally owned.

Federal property ownership in Nevada County amounts 189,645 acres or 30.27 per cent of the county area, and its estimated assessed value is $678,700.

Elza Kilroy, postal employee, who has been very ill with the flu is able to be out and around and expects to return to work before long.

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CONGRESS NOW RESUMES POWERS

By JAMES PRESTON

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—In its first session, the 78th congress established a unique record. During its almost continuous session of eleven months it met every administration request for the successful prosecution of the war.—but it declined to follow it on many basic issues.

To meet the costs of all out global war, both Democrats and Republicans joined in boosting the national debt limit to $200 billion, in extending Lend-Lease, continuing the president's authority to negotiate reciprocal trade agreements and meeting the economic problems of servicemen's dependents by boosting allotments and allowances.

But—for the first time in a decade—congress served notice by its actions on a score of issues that it was determined to restore to the legislative branch its duties and responsibilities under the Constitution.

It brought to an end the policy of extending to the executive branch "blank checks" of authority and power.

On every occasion it moved to bring to an end the practice which had developed through government administration by directives rather than by statutory laws.

The most outstanding examples of congressional defiance of administration leadership were its over-riding of the presidential veto in the Smith-Connally anti-strike bill, and the repeal of the $25,000 salary limitation directive of the president.

While congress made in 1943 an imposing effort to stem the tide of bureaucratic government many issues involving domestic issues remain for the second session which promise further conflicts between the executive and legislative branches.

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Among the duties of the Secretary of War is the preservation of the American Falls at Niagara.

The earth's axis of rotation is inclined at an angle of amout 23.5 degrees to the plane of the sun's equator.

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WOLF—In Grass Valley, Nevada County, January 8, 1944, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wolf of Nevada City, a son.

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